

Appendix A (COBRA)

Complete this *COBRA Continuation Coverage Election* form if the qualifying event is one of the following:

Employee:

- Employee's employment ends for any reason other than gross misconduct.
- Employee's hours of employment were reduced.

Spouse:

- Your spouse (the employee or retiree) dies; or
- Your spouse's (the employee's) hours of employment are reduced; or
- Your spouse's (the employee's) employment ends for any reason other than his or her gross misconduct; or
- You become divorced or legally separated from your spouse. Also, if your spouse (the employee or retiree) reduces or eliminates your Public Employees Benefits Board (PEBB) medical or dental coverage in anticipation of a divorce or legal separation, and a divorce or legal separation later occurs, then the divorce or legal separation may be considered a qualifying event for you even though your coverage was reduced or eliminated before the divorce or separation.

Dependent child:

- Your parent (the employee or retiree) dies;
- Your parent's (the employee's) hours of employment are reduced;
- Your parent's (the employee's) employment ends for any reason other than his or her gross misconduct; or
- You stop being eligible for PEBB coverage as a "dependent child." (See WAC 182-12-260(3), (4), and (5).)

COBRA Continuation Coverage Election

Instructions

To elect COBRA coverage, complete this *COBRA Continuation Coverage Election* form and return it to PEBB Benefit Services.

Mail to:

Health Care Authority
PEBB Benefit Services
P.O. Box 42684
Olympia, WA 98504-2684

Hand-deliver to:

Health Care Authority
PEBB Benefit Services
676 Woodland Square Loop SE
Lacey, WA 98503

To elect COBRA, you must complete the *COBRA Continuation Coverage Election* form in this Appendix A, and submit it to PEBB Benefit Services. Under federal law, you have **60 days** after the postmarked date of this *Continuation of Coverage Election Notice* to decide whether you want to elect COBRA.

The *COBRA Continuation Coverage Election* form must be completed and either mailed or hand-delivered to PEBB Benefit Services at the address specified in this notice. **Oral communications (in person or by telephone) and electronic communications (fax or e-mail) are not acceptable methods of elections, and will not preserve your COBRA rights.**

If you do not submit a completed *COBRA Continuation Coverage Election* form by this due date, you will lose your right to elect COBRA or other continuation coverage.

Read the important information about your rights in the *Continuation of Coverage Election Notice* which includes this *COBRA Continuation Coverage Election* form.

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| Employee/Retiree Information ONLY | Employee/retiree name | |
| | Employee/retiree social security number | Date employer or retiree coverage ended (mm/dd/yyyy) |

Section 1: SUBSCRIBER INFORMATION

Section 2: SPOUSE INFORMATION *List only eligible family members.*

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(Such as child, grandchild, etc.) Use additional forms for more members.
List **only** eligible family members.

Relationship to individual(s) listed on form _____ Daytime phone number () _____